Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Thirty-Fifth

Annual Session

OF THE

Original

Bear Creek

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Watson Church

UNION COUNTY, MONROE, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 15, 16, 17,

1967

Next session convenes with Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church, located in Randolph County, North Carolina, Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1968.

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Proceedings

OF THE 135TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Association met with Watson Primitive Baptist Church, Union County, North Carolina, Friday, September 15, 1967 and continued through Sunday following.

Brethren, sisters, and friends assembled in the house at 10:00 o'clock and engaged in a service of singing hymns of praise to our heavenly Father. Then Elder H. D. Fulmer from the Friendship Association of Georgia, was called upon to lead us in prayer to almighty God, after which Elder D. B. Willard, pastor of Watson Church delivered the Introductory sermon, using as his text, Matt. 3:1-10.

After an enjoyable lunch hour, and striking glad hands of fellowship with both old and new friends, the Association convened in the house. There was a short song service after which Elder W. G. Fletcher from the Ketocton Association led in prayer, and the Association proceeded with business as follows: Elder D. B. Willard, pastor of Watson Church, served as Moderator, Brother T. L. Simpson, Clerk of Watson Church served as Clerk, and called Brother Oren Baucom as Assistant Clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptists who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches of the Association which were handed in, read, and their status noted:

Watson: Represented by entire membership.

Pleasant Hill: Brethren Elzie Auman, Robert Copples, Rankin Richardson, and Larry Hunt.

High Hill: Brethren Edward Pressley, Johnnie Edwards, Earl Crook, and Carl Edwards.

Park View: Brethren Glen Cole, Harding Boyles, Athel Smith, and Vernon Lauton.

Liberty Hill: Brethren Craven Furr, Bill Fincher, Vernon Medlin, and Shuford Furr.

Pleasant Grove: Brethren T. B. Curlee, Brice Stegall, A. E. Broome, and Glen Mullis.

Union Grove: Brethren Kenneth Baucom, Newell Helms, Dwight Griffin, and Barry Helms.

Mountain Creek: Brethren Lane Vanhoy, Lonnie Eury, Artis Medlin, and Leroy Plowman.

Lawyer's Spring: Elder Joe C. Helms, Brethren Gradon Helms, Paul High, and Walter Hasty.

Crooked Creek: Brethren Thomas Broadway, Don Simpson, Buford Hinson, and John Hinson.

High Point: Brethren R. A. Strickland, D. G. Dix, Emory Nelson, and A. G. Allen.

Meadow Creek: Brethren Ray Eudy, Ervin Hatley, H. V. Corbitt, and Claude Hathcock.

Bethel: Brethren Charles Milikin, Carlos Benton, Douglas McLamb, and Charles Gore.

Union: Brethren T. B. Polk, Bobby Hartstin, V. H. Solomon, and Lee Robinson.

Corinth: Brethren Marvin Styers, and Walter Peterson.

Mills Chapel: Brethren Howard Little, Burin Williams, John Efrd, and Jeff Hardy.

Oak Grove: Brethren J. A. Gaddy, Jesse Tarlton, and Lester Adams.

Herrins Grove: Brethren J. L. Lewis, J. R. Almond, D. M. Harkey, and Barry Harkey.

Jerusalem: Brethren C. B. Thomas, Floyd Thomas, Fred Baucom, and J. W. Helms.

New Hope: Letter and members present.

3. Called for petitionary letters: None presented.

4. The Moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance. Appointed as follows: Preaching: Elder C. M. Mills, Elder A. E. Broadway, Brethren Wilburn Mullis, Carl Haigler, and Athel Smith. Finance: Elder V. V. Willard, Brethren David Helms, Roy Hardy, W. B. Curlee, and Larry Austin.

5. Called for presbytery report: In response to a call for ordained help from Bethel Church, the following formed a presbytery October 7, 1966 and ordained Brother William Marsdon Benton to the full work of the gospel ministry. Elders

E. H. Simpson, H. L. Poplin, C. M. Mills, Joe C. Helms, Brice C. Haigler, Rom Kerley, and R. W. Turner. Deacons M. D. Anderson, A. D. McLamb, J. R. Mintz, Carl Stevens, R. J. Sommersett, Earl Pressley, Ervin Hatley, M. C. Campbell, Melvin Mills, Gradon Helms, Burin Williams, T. B. Polk, W. S. Medlin, L. E. Outen, Carl Haigler, Oren Baucom, and Orlin Stewart.

In response to a call for ordained help from Lawyer's Spring Church, the following formed a presbytery August 4, 1967 and ordained Brethren Truby High and Wilson Green to the office of deacon. Elders V. V. Willard, Joe C. Helms, C. M. Mills, H. L. Poplin, Brice C. Haigler, and Rom Kerley. Deacons Orlin Stewart, Max Stewart, Gradon Helms, Brown Biggers, Lloyd Outen, Thomas Broadway, Crawford Thomas, Melvin Mills, Ervin Hatley, T. E. Ragen, C. C. Willard, T. B. Curlee, Carl Haigler, Leonard Baucom, W. S. Medlin, Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Buford Hinson, A. E. Broome, Howard Edwards, Johnnie Edwards, Roy Hardy, Burin Williams, Bill Fincher, Elzie Auman, Rankin Richardson, and Oren Baucom.

In response to a call for ordained help from Union Grove Church, the following formed a presbytery August 11, 1967 and ordained Brother Floyd W. Stack, Jr. to the full work of the gospel ministry. Elders C. M. Mills, V. V. Willard, D. B. Willard, Joe C. Helms, Brice C. Haigler, H. L. Poplin, Rom Kerley, W. M. Benton, and A. E. Broadway. Deacons W. S. Medlin, L. E. Outen, Carl Haigler, Leonard Baucom, Oren Baucom, Brady Polk, F. C. Willard, Wilson Green, T. B. Curlee, Fred Eudy, Ervin Hatley, Melvin Mills, Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Claude Parnell, Roy Hardy, Thomas Broadway, Brown Biggers, Larry Austin, Orlin Stewart, Octavis Helms, Johnnie Edwards, Burin Williams, Earl Pressley, Craven Furr, Bill Fincher, C. C. Willard, David Dix, T. E. Ragen, H. V. Corbitt, Gradon Helms, Howard Edward, and Buford Hinson.

In response to a call for ordained help from Watson Church, the following formed a presbytery August 25, 1967 and ordained Brethren David Helms and Wilburn Mullis to the office of deacon. Elders D. B. Willard, C. M. Mills, V. V. Willard,

Brice C. Haigler, A. E. Broadway, and F. W. Stack, Jr. Deacons Ervin Hatley, Leonard Baucom, Earl Pressley, Roy Hardy, Howard Edwards, Lloyd Outen, Brown Biggers, Wilson Greene, Burin Williams, A. E. Broome, Carl Haigler, Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Larry Austn, C. C. Willard, Johnnie Edwards, Buford Hinson, Bill Curlee, Orlin Stewart, Fred Eudy, H. V. Corbitt, Crawford Thomas, T. E. Ragen, Claude Parnell, David Dix, Gradon Helms, Thomas Broadway, and Oren Baucom.

6. Invited all visiting brethren and sisters from corresponding associations to seat with us. Welcomed the following:

Silver Creek: Elder G. F. Watson and Brother Carl McGee.

Original Little River of N. C.: It was unanimously agreed by move, second ,and vote that we resume correspondence with this Association now referred to as "The Original Little River Association of North Carolina," and welcomed the following: Elders Derl McGee, and J. S. Stephenson, Licentiate D. R. Clifton, Brother Seba Clifton and wife, Brother Freddie Giles and wife, Brother C. D. Hamilton, Brother Worth Stephenson and wife, Sisters Texie Honeycutt, Bonnie Williford, Lula West, Dovie Kernes, and Gladys Carroll.

Original Towaliga: Elder Roy Speir, Elder Earl Myers and wife.

Little River of Ga.: Elder W. F. Cagle, Elder M. M. Morton and wife, Brother Ray Wagner, Sister Shirley Wagner, and Sister Debbie Blackwell.

Friendship of Ga.: Elder H. D. Fulmer, Brother Clifford Cook and wife, and Sister Beulah Corbitt.

Tennessee-Nolachucky: Minutes.

Powells Valley: Elder Kenneth Robbins, Brother Dewey Hembry and wife, Brethren Ray Wells, Charlie Greene, Roger Price, and Sister Verda Miracle.

Mt. Zion of Ala.: Elder E. B. Watts.

South Arkansas: Minutes.

7. Invited visiting brethren and sisters from associations and churches wth whom we do not carry formal correspondence, who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us. Welcomed the following:

Ketocton Association: Elder W. G. Fletcher.

Big Sandy Association: Elder A. C. Pruett, Brother James Holliday and wife, and Sister Gladys Brantley.

Echeconnee Association: Elder W. H. Hancock and wife, Sisters Mable Ball, Eva Williamson, Louise Gross, and Annie Richards.

Martinsvile Church: Brother Andrew Ashby and wife.

Claiborne Street Church (Danville): Brother Harvey Lunsford and wife, Brother H. F. Barrow and wife, Brother J. F. Lawrence and wife, Sisters Ozella Noblett, Mattie Shelton and Ida Hall.

Spoon Creek Church: Elder L. J. Corn.

Phoenix Church (Arizona): Elder H. J. Donohue and wife.

Blue Ridge Church: Elder A. J. Hylton.

Pine Church: Brother C. E. Gallimore.

8. Apponted messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows:

Silver Creek: It was unanimously agreed that our brethren visit this Association when they have an opportunity, but that we appoint no special messengers.

Original Little River of N. C.: Elders D. B. Willard and P. H. Young.

Original Towaliga: (Bersheba) Elders Rom Kerley and Brice Haigler.

Little River of Ga.: (Shoal Creek) Elders Brice Haigler and F. W. Stack, and Brother Roy Hardy.

Friendship of Ga.: (Bethany) Brethren Newell Helms, Oren Baucom, and Carl Haigler and Elder V. V. Willard.

Tennessee-Nolachucky: Elders C. M. Mills, and F. W. Stack, Brethren Oren Baucom, Carl Haigler and Howard Edwards.

Powells Valley: (Ely Dale) Elder Joe C. Helms, Brethren Joe Baucom, Gradon Helms, and Edward Pressley.

Mt. Zion of Ala.: (Rocky Mount) Elders C. M. Mills and Brice Haigler.

South Arkansas: Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond: (See Item 6 re-

garding the Little River Association of N. C.)

10. Elder Brice C. Haigler was unanimously appointed to write the corresponding letter by move, second, and vote, to be approved at our Saturday session.

11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:00 o'clock, by move, second, and vote.

Benediction by Elder A. C. Pruett.

SATURDAY—September 16, 1967

The Association met pursuant to adjournment in the New Salem Elementary School Auditorium at 9:00 o'clock a. m. After engaging in songs of praise, Elder A. J. Hylton, Blue Ridge Primitive Baptists Church, Willis, Va., led in prayer, and the Association continued with business as follows:

12. Called for the report from the Finance Committee: Reported the following:

Received from churches of the Association .	$1,083.00	
Received from friends	99.00	
Total		1,182.00

13. Unanimously agreed to disiribute Minutes from corresponding Associations as usual.

14. Called for Corresponding Letter, which was read and approved to be printed in the minutes, by move, second, and unanimous vote.

15. Extended invitation for the churches of the Association to request fifth Sunday meetings, and unanimously granted the following:

October, 1967—Union Grove, Union County, N. C.

December, 1967—High Point, High Point, N. C.

March, 1968—Liberty Hill, Stanley County, N. C.

June, 1968—Mountain Creek, Stanley County, N. C.

16. Unanimously agreed to hold the 1968 session of the Original Bear Creek Association with Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Randolph County, North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1968, and that the pastor of Pleasant Hill Church deliver the Introductory Sermon, by move, second, and vote.

17. Unanimously agreed by move, second, and vote to have 1400 copies of this Minutes printed and distributed to the churches and assocations as usual, and that Brother Oren Baucom superintend same, and that he be allowed $175.00 for printing, mailing, and Clerk's services.

18. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that allowed in Item 17 to the ministers present, and any other associational expenses which the Finance committee may deem proper.

19. It was unanimously agreed by standing vote that we return thanks to God for His mercy, and to all the members and friends of Watson Church and community for help in every way during this meeting. Also to the New Salem Elementary School and Mr. Ray Morgan, principal, for the use of the buildings and facilities. We also thank the Boy Scouts of the community for their assistance in the parking and other deeds of kindness. May God in His tender love and grace richly bless you all.

20. Unanimously agreed to adjourn to time and place designated in Item 16, after reading the Minute. Benediction by Elder Brice C. Haigler.

ELDER D. B. WILLARD, Moderator
BROTHER T. L. SIMPSON, Clerk
BRO. OREN BAUCOM, Ass't Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from the churches	$1,083.00	
Received from friends	99.00	$1,182.00
Disbursements:		
Printing, mailing, and Clerk's services	$ 175.00	
Distributed to ministers	963.00	
Other association expenses	44.00	$1,182.00

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:

Elder D. B. Willard, Matt. 3:1-10

Friday Afternoon:

Elder L. J. Corns, Romans 5:1-2

Friday Night:

Elder Earl Myers, Micah 4:5-7
Elder Kenneth Robbins, John 14:1-6

Saturday Morning:

Elder Derle McGee, Eph. 2:1-10
Elder H. D. Fulmer, Matt. 5:17
Elder H. J. Donahue, Isaiah 32:1-2

Saturday Afternoon:

Elder Roy Spier, Psa. 8:1
Elder W. G. Fletcher, Psa. 46:4
Elder Kenneth Robbins, John 1:1-2

Saturday Night (Watson):

Elder A. C. Pruett, John 3:16
Elder W. M. Benton, Isaiah 9:6

Saturday Night (Liberty Hill):

Elder W. H. Hancock, John 2:1-10
Elder W. F. Cagle, Gen. 1:16

Saturday Night (High Hill):

Elder E. B. Watts, Gen. 1:2
Lic. D. R. Clifton, Luke 12:31

Sunday Morning:

Elder A. C. Pruett, Isaiah 40:10
Elder E. B. Watts, John 10:28
Elder W. H. Hancock, John 17:1

Sunday Afternoon:

Elder M. M. Morton, Isaiah 9:6
Elder J. S. Stephenson, Isaiah 40:1

HOME MINISTERS

Elder D. B. Willard, Rt. 6, Winston Salem, N. C. 27107
Elder H. L. Poplin, Rt. 2, Albemarle, N. C. 28001
Elder C. M. Mills, 3130 Central Ave. Charlotte, N. C. 28205
Elder V. V. Willard, Rt. 2, High Point, N. C. 27260
Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C. 28025
Elder Brice Haigler, Rt. 3, Box 305B, Monroe, N. C. 28110
Elder Joe C. Helms, Peachland, N. C. 28133
Elder P. H. Young, Rt. 1, Box 304, Linwood, N. C. 27299
Elder A. E. Broadway, Rt. 7, Monroe, N. C. 28110
Elder Rom Kerley, 903 Alma Ave., Kannapolis, N. C. 28081
Elder Floyd W. Stack, Jr., Box 713, Monroe, N. C. 28110
Elder W. M. Benton, Rt. 1, Box 140, Leland, N. C. 28451

Licentiate F. C. Willard, 2437 Marble St. Winston Salem, N. C. 27107
Licentiate Ervin Hatley, Rt. 2, Stanfield, N. C. 28163
Licentiate Newell Helms, Rt. 2, Monroe, N. C. 28110
Licentiate Charles L. Smith, 402 West St., Monroe, N. C. 28110

VISITING MINISTERS

Elder G. F. Watson, Route 4, Lenoir, N. C. 28645
Elder J. S. Stephenson, Benson, N. C.
Elder Derle McGee, Route 1, Angier, N. C.
Elder W. F. Cagle, Rt. 3, Alphretta, Ga. 30201
Elder M. M. Morton, 305 Ridgecrest Rd., Lawrenceville, Ga.
Elder H. D. Fulmer, 3481 Panola Road, Ellenwood, Ga. 30049
Elder Kenneth Robbins, Calvin, Ky.
Elder E. B. Watts, Box 425, Douglas, Ala.
Elder Roy Spier, 3437 Hogan Road, SW, Atlanta, Ga. 30331
Elder Earl Myers, Rt. 2, Smyrna, Ga.
Elder L. J. Corns, P. O. Box 63, Patrick Springs, Va.
Elder A. C. Pruett, Route 2, Sardis, Tenn.
Elder H. J. Donahue, 2029 North 39th Ave., Phoenix, Ariz. 85009
Elder A. J. Hylton, Willis, Va.
Elder W. G. Fletcher, Rt. 2, Strasburg, Va. 22657
Elder W. H. Hancock, 3879 Tela Place, Macon, Ga. 31206
Licentiate D. R. Clifton, Smithfield, N. C.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren and Sisters composing the Original Bear Creek Association:

It has been through the kind and providential hand of God that we are permitted to come together in an assembly of this kind. I hope and pray that we are sincerely thankful.

Through the past year we have had some disappointments and bereavements, but these have been offset by many joys and seeing little ones coming home to the church, which is the ground and pillar of truth. Surely God has left a resting place for the pilgrims and strangers here in the world, and a beacon to help guide us through life's rugged journey.

We are thankful for our ministers who have been, and are still laboring patiently for the welfare of Zion. We pray this love and closeness for the dear old church will continue.

The corresponding brothers and sisters are greatly appreciated. We welcome them and pray God will bless them, and they will have a desire to come and be with us again.

God's grace and mercy has been with us through the past years. I hope and pray that we won't take these for granted, but will be more diligent toward His kingdom, and put forth more effort in earnestly contending for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Submitted in Christian love,

—Elder Brice C. Haigler

IN MEMORIAM

It is with saddness in our heart that we record the passing of loved ones since our last associational meeting. The Association joins with the bereaved families in their grief. Our loss is much, but great is their gain.

Herrins Grove: Sister Cora Page Blackwelder,
Brother Riley Blackwelder

Lawyers Spring: Brother Sandy Caudle
Sister Virgie Simpson
Brother Henry Horne

Union Grove: Brother Lonnie P. Baucom,
Sister Flora Benton Clontz

Pleasant Grove: Sister Atha Mills Huggins
Sister Rena Scott Mullis

High Point: Sister Vera Payne
Sister Armetta Joyce
Sister Myrtle Strickland
Brother Caney Moran
Brother Jesse Mabe
Brother Lemuel Morefield
Brother T. F. Vestal

Mountain Creek: Sister Lillie Honeycutt Vanhoy

Watson: Deacon Fulton Helms

Liberty Hill: Brother Roy Branch

Bethel: Sister Lydia McLamb

Meadow Creek: Sister Mollie Mills
Sister Lectie Blackwelder
Sister Ada Eudy
Brother Burton Vanhoy

Oak Grove: Brother Teal

CLERK'S NOTE

The next session will, the Lord willing, be held with Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Randolph County, North Carolina, located about two miles west of N. C. highway 220, approximately eight miles south-east of Ashboro, and approximately two miles northwest of Seagrove, North Carolina. All orderly, peace-loving Primitive Baptists are cordially invited to be with us at that time.

CHURCHES, MEETING TIME, MINISTERS

Union Grove: 2nd Sunday A. M., Saturday Night ..... Pastor
4th Sunday Night ..... Minister by invitation
Mountain Creek: 3rd Sunday A. M., Saturday Night ..... Pastor
Lawyers Spring: 1st Sunday A. M., Saturday P. M. ..... Pastor
3rd Sunday A. M. ..... Elder Joe C. Helms
High Point: 4th Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
2nd Sunday a. m., 3rd Sun. night ..... Pastor
Meadow Creek: 1st Sunday A. M., Saturday P. M. ..... Pastor
Watson: 4th Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
3rd Sunday night ..... Elder A. E. Broadway
Pleasant Hill: 3rd Sunday A. M., Saturday P. M. ..... Pastor
4th Sunday night
High Hill: 1st Sunday P. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
3rd Sunday A. M. ..... Elder Brice Haigler, Ass't Pastor
Park View: 3rd Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
1st Sunday night ..... Pastor
Liberty Hill: 1st Sunday P. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
Pleasant Grove: 2nd Sunday P. M., Saturday P. M. ..... Pastor
Bethel: 2nd Sunday a. m., Sat. night Elder W. M. Benton. 4th Sun. a.m. Saturday night Elds. E. H. Simpson, H. L. Poplin, alterating.
Union: 1st Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
3rd Sunday P. M.
Corinth: 3rd Sunday A. M. ..... Pastor
1st Sunday P. M. ..... Pastor
Mills Chapel: 2nd Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
4th Sunday A. M. ..... Elder Rom Kerly
Oak Grove: 2nd Sunday A. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
4th Sun. a. m. ..... Elder F. W. Stack, Jr.
Herrins Grove: 4th Sunday P. M., Saturday night ..... Pastor
Crooked Creek: 4th Sunday A. M., Sat. P. M. ..... Pastor
2nd Sun. night ..... Minister by invitation
Jerusalem: 2nd Sunday A. M., Sat. P. M. ..... Pastor
New Hope: 4th Sunday A. M., Saturday Night ..... Pastor
2nd Sunday A. M. ..... Pastor

On Communion Sunday preaching time at 10:30 at all churches.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever Church this Association is being held, it is under the authority of the Hostess Church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the Church invites the Ministers and Messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that Church shall be the officers of the Association, provided the Pastor is a member of the Association, and if not, the Church shall elect any member of the Association to preside as Moderator. The Church may request the help of any member of another sister Church to assist in the business transactions of the Association.

3. This Association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches compossing this Association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the Association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the Association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The Association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The Finance Committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the Association shall so direct. The Body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the Association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each Church composing this Association in the form of a minute.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subjects of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Communion Mo.	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Relation	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contribution
Pleasant Hill	Eld. V.V. Willard	G. L. Auman, Rt. 1, Star, N. C. 27356	3 June	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	45	$55.00
High Hill	Eld. V.V. Willard	Larry Austin, Rt. 3, Monroe, N. C., 28110	1 Sept.	3	....	....	1	....	....	....	84	60.00
Park View	Eld.D.B. Willard	Claude Parnell, 4244 Glen Hi Rd., Winston-S., N.C. 27107	3 May	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	53	50.00
Liberty Hill	Eld. C. M. Mills	Reece Eury, Rt. 1, Oakboro, N. C. 28129	1 July	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	100	68.00
Pleasant Grove	Eld. C. M. Mills	T. B. Curlee, Rt. 3, Marshville, N. C. 28103	2 July	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	59	70.00
Union Grove	Eld. C. M. Mills	Oren Baucom, 4133 Heaforth Dr., Charlotte, N. C. 28205	2 Aug	6	....	....	....	....	....	2	192	150.00
Mountain Creek	Eld. C. M. Mills	A. C. Medlin, Rt. 2, Albemarle, N. C. 28001	3 July	3	....	1	....	....	....	1	66	80.00
Lawyers Spring	Eld. V.V. Willard	Tommy Horne, Peachland, N. C. 28133	1 Aug.	2	....	....	....	....	....	3	88	59.00
Crooked Creek	Eld. A. Broadway	John Hinson, Rt. 2, Monroe, N. C. 28110	4 July	10	....	....	....	....	2	....	46	40.00
High Point	Eld. V.V. Willard	H. M. Willard, Rt. 5, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107	4 May & Aug.	2	....	1	....	....	2	7	150	120.00
Meadow Creek	Eld. C. M. Mills	Fred P. Eudy, Rt. 1, Box 109, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124	1 June	4	....	....	....	1	1	4	73	75.00
Watson	Eld. D.B. Willard	T. L. Simpson, 3432 Craig Ave., Charlotte, N. C. 28211	4 May	4	....	....	....	....	....	1	33	51.00
Bethel	Elds. H. L. Poplin & E. H. Simpson	M. D. Anderson, Shallotte, N. C. 28459	4 June	5	....	5	....	....	3	1	86	35.00
Union	Eld.E.H. Simpson	V. H. Solomon, Rt. 2, Box 302, Gastonia, N. C. 28052	1 May	5	....	....	....	....	1	....	47	30.00
Corinth	Eld.E.H. Simpson	W. Peterson, 5700 Parksdale Cir., Kings Mtn., N. C. 28086	3 May	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	10.00
Mills Chapel	Eld.D.B. Willard	Warren Griffin, 309 Caldwell St., Kannapolis, N. C. 28081	2 June	4	....	1	....	....	....	....	65	50.00
Oak Grove	Eld. H. L. Poplin	Mrs. Gertrude Griggs, Rt. 1, Chesterfield, S. C. 29709	4 May	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	10	5.00
Herrins Grove	Eld. C. M. Mills	J. L. Lewis, Rt. 1, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124	4 June	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	25	25.00
Jerusalem	Eld. A. Broadway	C. B. Thomas, Rt. 4. Box 122, Matthews, N. C. 28105	2 Aug.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	16	40.00
New Hope	Eld. Joe C. Helms	W. W. Davis, Rt. 2, Hopkins, S. C. 29061	4 Aug.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	10.00
		Totals		55	....	8	1	3	9	25	1260	$1083.00
											Contributed by friends	$ 99.00
											Total contributions	$1182.00